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It has been my pleasure to cooperate with members of the editorial staff, supplying information not available from other sources. As a representative of the Church of God, I express the hope that our ministry and laity will find the inventory an available source of information concerning the Churches of God in Michigan.

My personal thanks is hereby expressed to those responsible for the compilation of this important work.

Everett O. Kerce State Overseer

Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee), in Michigan

#### HISTORICAL INTRODUCTION

The Churches of God are not of any one unified denomination, but rather they comprise a group of denominations adhering to similar doctrines. This inventory deals specifically with denominations having congregations in the State of Michigan; these denominations are specified as Church of God, (Anderson, Indiana); Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee; Church of God, A.J. Tomlinson, General Overseer, Cleveland, Tennessee; Seventh Day Church of God, Salem, West Virginia, and non-affiliated Churches of God.

#### Church of God, (Anderson, Indiana)

The Anderson organization has its headquarters in Anderson, Indiana, and like the other denominations of the Churches of God it is not considered strictly denominational, but rather a unit of the Reformation Movement, which is an outgrowth of the "Holiness Agitation" of the last century. This organization had its inception about 1880 when Daniel S. Warner and a group of other Protestant ministers severed their connection with the "humanly-organized" churches and maintained that "the Scriptural all-sufficient standard for Christians is membership in the body of Christ alone." On this account, Brother Warner and his associates made no attempt to organize a church along strictly denominational lines, but made direct appeals to the teaching of the Scriptures instead, contending that "spiritual fellowship with Christ and with each other, and devotion to Scriptural ideals constitute a sufficient bond for the followers of Christ."

Reverend Mr. Warner felt the need of a medium of contact with others of a similar belief and conviction, and in an effort to reach this audience he began the publication of a periodical called the <u>Gospel Trumpet</u> on January 1, 1881. This publication is still the leading English periodical of the movement, and from it the publishing house of the church derives its name.

The first two issues of this publication were printed at Rome City, Indiana; the work was then transferred to Indianapolis. In 1882 the small office was moved to Cardington, Ohio, and in the following year to Bucyrus, Ohio. In 1884 it was again moved, this time to Williamston, Michigan, at which place a more rapid advancement in the work began. In 1886 the entire enterprise, including machinery, was transferred to Grand Junction, Michigan, where it remained for 12 years, after which it was again moved to Moundsville, West Virginia.<sup>2</sup>

Anderson College and Theological Seminary developed from the Bible School organized in 1917 by the General Ministerial Assembly. In 1928

2. Smith, op. cit., pp. 5, 6.

<sup>1.</sup> F.G. Smith, Brief Sketch of the Origin, Growth and Distinctive Doctrine of the Church of God Reformation Movement, p. 5; M. Phelan, com., New Handbook of All Denominations, p. 80.

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accepting the dictum that all those "that are desirous to be free from all man-made creeds and traditions, and are willing to accept the New Testament, or law of Christ, as your only rule of faith and practice; giving each other equal rights and privileges to read and interpret for yourself as your conscience may dictate, and are willing to sit together as the Church of God and to transact business as such... "may join this denomination. The elder Spurling became the minister of the new church and his son, who already was a licensed minister, was received into fellowship and ordained on September 26. 1886.

This newly organized church, although being in accord with the Methodist bodies, recognized no creed as authoritative, but relied upon the Bible "asawhole, rightly divided" and as the final court of appeals. It emphasized sanctification as an experience subsequent to regeneration, and also the baptisms of the Holy Ghost. Conditions of membership were profession of faith in Christ and recognition of the obligation to accept and practice all the teaching of the church.

During the first decade of its existence, very little was done by this organization to promote its growth; however, during the period following 1896 a decided change took place. Three members of the church, William Martin, Joe M. Lipton, and Milton McNabb, went to Cherokee County, North Carolina, and began to hold meetings at the Shearer Schoolhouse. This activity aroused the antagonism of members of other denominations in the community, and caused the expulsion of some of their members for following "this new doctrine," which was considered "heresy."3 But the group continued to conduct revival meetings, which became popular and spread to the adjoining counties, thereby further increasing the enmity of the already existing churches to the extent that several places of worship were burned down.

During these years of revivalism, factionalism began to be felt within the body of the church. This condition persisted without visible effect on the organization of the church until 1902 when a meeting was held in the home of W.F. Bryant, Cherokee County and a new organization was effected. While this organization was a continuation of the original movement begun 16 years earlier, it was now called "The Holiness Church at Camp Creek." At the meeting Bryant was ordained minister.4

In 1903 Reverend A.J. Tomlinson came from Indiana to North Carolina and was appointed pastor of the congregation at Camp Creek. One year later a church was organized in Georgia and two more in Tennessee. Near the close of 1905 this denomination had progressed to the point where it was found advisable to form a central body.5

E.L. Simmons, History of the Church of God, pp. 9-11. 1.

<sup>2.</sup> U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census of Religious Bodies, 1936, Churches of God, p. 8.

Simmons, op. cit., p. 11. Ibid., p. 12. 3.

<sup>4.</sup> 5. Ibid., pp. 12, 13.



The first annual assembly convened on January 26 and 27, 1906, at the home of J.C. Murphy, Cherokee County, about one-half mile from the old Shearer schoolhouse. At this assembly 21 delegates, representing 6 churches, decided that "we do not consider ourselves a legislative or executive body, but judicial only."

The second annual assembly held its sessions from January 9 to 13, 1907, at Union Grove Church, about ten miles from Cleveland, Tennessee. At this conference the name of the denomination was changed to "Church of God." It was also decided to provide an order of the ministry known as "Evangelist."

At the annual assembly in 1913, Reverend Tomlinson was chosen as the General Overseer of the Church for life.  $^2$  By that time this denomination had extended its organization into ten states, reaching as far west as California.

In 1912 a few Negroes of Florida joined this denomination, and the eighth annual assembly (1913) reported two Negro Churches, one in Miami and the other in Jacksonville. In 1915, Edmond S. Barr was appointed as overseer of the work in Florida. He was the first ordained Negro bishop of the Church of God.

By 1915 congregations had been established in the States of Indiana, Louisiana, Maryland, West Virginia, South Carolina, Ohio, Colorado, Connecticut, and Illinois. By 1922 the church was represented in 28 states, and in the Bahama Islands and Canada. At that time there were 666 congregations with a membership of 21,076 and 760 ministers.

In 1941 there were reported to be 1,501 white and 141 Negro congregations connected with this denomination, having 583 bishops, 562 deacons, 1,788 evangelists, and membership of 61,064 whites and 2,152 Negroes. This organization also maintained 1,632 Sunday Schools with an attendance of 81,720.4

Under the supervision of the General Overseer, Reverend Tomlinson, a bible training school was opened in Cleveland, Tennessee in 1918. In 1938 it was removed to the newly-purchased Murphy Collegiate Institute at Sevierville, Tennessee.

In 1935 the Northwest Bible and Music Academy was established at Lemmon, South Dakota, and soon afterward the Florida Bible School was opened at Wimauma Camp, 26 miles from Tampa, Florida. The Maine Bible School also began operating at Appleton, Maine, in the same year.

<sup>1.</sup> Simmons, op. cit., p. 16; Homer A. Tomlinson, The Great Vision of the Church of God., p. 7.

<sup>2.</sup> Simmons, op. cit., p. 14.

<sup>3.</sup> Ibid., p. 33.

<sup>4.</sup> Minutes of the 35th Annual Assembly of the Church of God, 1940, pp. 24, 35.



The first congregation of this denomination in Michigan was established at Detroit in 1920. The first church building was erected at Stanley and Brooklyn Streets, and later moved to 5686 Sixteenth Street, its present location.  $^{\rm l}$ 

The Michigan Assembly was organized in 1925, with headquarters in Detroit. In addition to the State of Michigan, the city of Windsor, Canada is included in the Michigan Assembly with Reverend E.O. Kerce, of Detroit as overseer.  $^2$ 

### <u>Church of God - A.J. Tomlinson, General Overseer, Cleveland, Tennessee.</u>

At the annual assembly held in Cleveland, Tennessee, in 1922, at which over four thousand delegates were present, a division took place within the ranks of the Cleveland Church of God. The division was a result of an attempt to abrogate the constitution which had been adopted in 1921.

To distinguish this denomination from other Churches of God it has been the custom of this body to add the name of its founder and general overseer to the title, thus - Church of God, A.J. Tomlinson, General Overseer.4

The first assembly of the newly-organized branch was held in 1923, and Reverend Tomlinson was designated as overseer. During the subsequent 5 years little progress was made, and it was only in the period following 1928 that the movement spread.

By the end of 1940 this denomination had registered 1,500 local churches, 8 of which were located in Nichigan, 218 bishops, 170 deacons, 1,206 evangelists (708 male and 498 female), and approximately 50,000 members.

The denomination also maintained a printing establishment, the White Wing Publishing House at Cleveland, Tennessee. A modern building was erected in which the printing plant and offices of the publication, and the officers of the church were located. A section of the structure served as a tabernacle with a seating capacity of 8,500.

The Michigan State Convention was organized in 1929, with Reverend Vernon H. Smith as State Overseer; the Annual Minister's Convention was created in 1936.

<sup>1.</sup> See entry 83.

<sup>2.</sup> See entry 82.

<sup>3.</sup> Tomlinson, op. cit., p. 13; U.S. Bureau of the Census, op. cit., p. 33.

<sup>4.</sup> U.S. Bureau of the Census, op. cit., p. 33.

<sup>5.</sup> See entries 102, 102-A.



believers as a whole; the Seventy give themselves to the evangelistic ministry of the Word; the Seven have general oversight and management of the business of the church; the elders give themselves to the ministry of the Word and to prayers; the overscer, under the supervision of the Twelve, has general care over the church as a whole and has assistant overseers to care for the affairs of the church; the helpers give themselves to the advancement of the work and the Truth, as the Lord has given them talents and opportunities; and the Disciples give themselves wholly unto the Lord's hands to use as He will. 1

The Freeland (Saginaw County) Church of God is considered the oldest congregation in Michigan connected with this denomination. It was organized by Elder James Merriam in 1899. This church has no building and services are being conducted in the Freeland School.<sup>2</sup>

In 1924, Elder E.J. Davis organized the Deckerville Church of God, at Deckerville, Sanilac County. A brick church building was erected during the same year.  $^3$ 

The other three churches of this denomination in Michigan are located at 700 Fairview Avenue and 3330 Fifteenth Street, Detroit, and at St. Charles, Saginaw County.  $^4$ 

#### Non-Affiliated Churches of God

This term is being applied to those congregations, which while adhering to the doctrine of the Church of God, are not affiliated with any of the existing denominations.

In 1941 there were 16 active independent Churches of God reported in Michigan. The first Church of God (Abrahamic Faith) in the state was organized in 1864 at Blanchard, Isabella County. Other independent churches organized during the last century are located at New Haven Twp., Gratiot County; Levering, Emmet County; Sheridan Twp., Clare County; Freemont Twp., Isabella County; and Mio, Oscoda County (now defunct). The remaining churches included in this group (14 in all) were organized since 1919.

<sup>1.</sup> U.S. Bureau of the Census, op. cit., pp. 24-26.

<sup>2.</sup> See entry 113.

<sup>3.</sup> See entry 114.

<sup>4.</sup> See entries 115-117.

<sup>5.</sup> See entry 118.

<sup>6.</sup> See entries 119-124.



CHURCH OF GOD

ANDERSON, INDIANA

#### ORGANIZATIONS

#### 1. GENERAL MINISTERIAL ASSEMBLY, 1881--, Anderson, Ind.

Organized 1881. Organization meets annually; elects presiding officers for current year; determines general church policies; maintains legally incorporated boards and other agencies for promotional work. Officers: Chairman, A.F. Gray, 2659 N. Ash St., Spokane, Wash.; vice chairman, Ernest E. Shaw, 620 Alexander, Peoria, Ill.; Socretary, W. Dale Oldham, 4307 Midway Ave., Dayton, Ohio. Executive Council: Chairman, E.F. Adcock, Anderson, Ind.; vice chairman, John A. Morrison, Anderson. College, Anderson, Ind.; W. Dale Oldham; advisory members, F.L. Blevins, 2750 Maplewood Ave., Springfield, Ohio; Estel E. Perry, 3410 Beniteau Ave., Detroit, Mich.; F.G. Smith, 707 Elbon Ave., Akron, Ohio; A.F. Gray, C.E. Byers, 1343 Broadway, Springfield, Ohio. Departments: Gospel Trumpet, Associated Budgets Committee, Missionary Board, Board of Christian Education, Board of Church Extension and Home Missions, and Christian Crusaders.

 NATIONAL WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, 1932--, Anderson, Ind.

Organized 1932. Organization supplies missionary information to members and students, also collects funds for local and foreign missions. Officers: President, Mrs. Nora Hunter, 1062 Simmons Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.; secretary to president, Mrs. Irone Sweeny, 427 Studebaker, Mishawaka, Ind.; first vice president, Mrs. J.L. Williams, 1115 Notre Dame Ave., South Bend, Ind.; second vice president, Mrs. E.E. Perry, 3410 Beniteau Ave., Detroit, Mich.; third vice president, Mrs. Alice E. Mills 2724 N. 48th St., Milwaukee, Wis.; fourth vice president, Mrs. E.E. Klein, 6916 Perry Ave., Chicago, Ill.; fifth vice president, Miss Mae McAlpine, 2321 Hoover Ave., Dayton, Ohio; sixth vice president, Miss Helen Holton, 2424 E. Main St., Springfield, Ohio; recording secretary, Mrs. Della Murfin, 723 Cooley St., Kalamazoo, Mich.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. Delight Delmar, 916 Broadway, Alameda, Calif.; treasurer, Mrs. Frances B. Tallen, 702 N. Main St., Auburn, Ind.; auditor, Mrs. Hulda Glaser, 406 Manitou Place South Bend, Ind.; librarian, Mrs. Faith Kleeberger, 1320 Caroline Ave., Clinton, Iowa; historian, Mrs. Orpha Amos, 2110 Clarendon Ave., Huntington Park, Calif.; statistician, Mrs. Cora Shakespeare, 200 S. School St., Normal, Ill.; editor, Mrs. T.R. Achor, 903 Walnut St., Anderson, Ind.; subscription manager, Mrs. Hallie Patterson, 523 Walnut St., Anderson, Ind. Departments: Missionary Education, Membership, Service and Supply, Publications, Children's Work, Friend of Missions and Spiritual Life. Records in custody of recording secretary.



3. MICHIGAN MINISTERIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1914--, office of the State secretary, 1916 Cameron Ave., Kalamazoo.

Organized 1914. Primary functions same as General Assembly (see entry 1). Officers: Chairman, John W. Batdorf, 1916 Cameron, Kalamazoo; vice chairman, Max Hill, 1101 Frinceton, Kalamazoo; secretary-treasurer, 634 Morton Ave., Belding. Advisory Board: Blaine Varner, 308 Austin Ave., Albion; Grover C. Johnson, 517 E. Marengo Ave., Flint; Joseph Cirone, 708 S. West Ave., Jackson; Martin J. Raab, 104 Stewart, Grand Rapids; state secretary for the Advisory Board, John W. Batdorf. Departments: Program Committee, Ordination and Year Book Committee, Christian Education Committee, Church Extension Board Committee.

Session minutes, 1914--, loose-leaf, 1 vol. Membership records, 1914--, loose-leaf, 1 vol. Financial records, 1914--, loose-leaf, 1 vol.

Records in custody of Max Hill



#### ANDERSON, INDIANA

#### CONGREGATIONS

4. CHURCH OF GOD, 1880--, 370 Capital Ave., S.W., Battle Creek, Calhoun County.

Organized 1880. From 1880 to 1924 services held in rented building, Groveland and Chestnut Sts. First and present church building, purchased from Baptist congregation, dedicated 1934; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. J. Woodden, 1880-81. Fresent clergyman, Rev. Ralph Coburn, 91 Webber St., Battle Creek.

Session minutes, 1924-, 5 vols., in custody of M.C. Moses,

109 Illinois St. No other records found.

5. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1884--, 2245 Chene St., Detroit.

Organized 1884. First church building, converted residence, dedicated 1884; frame structure. Fresent building dedicated 1927; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. D.F. Oden, 1917-32. Present clergyman, Rev. J.S. Smoot, 17241 Main Ave., Detroit.

No records found.

6. EDGEWOOD CHURCH OF GOD, 1886--, Hamilton Twp., Ithaca, Gratiot County.

Organized 1886. Services first held in home of Henry Stahl, Townline Road, Emerson and Lafayette Townships. First church building, one mile South of present site, erected 1886, log structure. Present building erected 1939, brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Louise Moore, 1886-1925. Present clergyman, Rev. Jay Cecil Thompson, Sickles, R.F.D., Ithaca.

No records found.

7. CHURCH OF GOD, 1888--, 609 N. Rose St., Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo County.

Organized 1888. Services first held in private homes, later in rented store building. First church building, West Ramson St., erected 1904, frame structure. Fresent building dedicated 1920; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. William Hartman, 1888-1939. Present clergyman, Rev. Max V. Hill, 1101 Princeton Ave., Kalamazoo.

Session minutes, 1889--, 3 vols. Sunday School records, 1915--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

8. CHURCH OF GOD, 1889--, 117 E. St. Marys St., Decatur, Van Buren County.

Organized 1889. From 1889 to 1906 services held in school building, later in private homes. First church building purchased, remodeled and dedicated 1906; frame structure. Present building



dedicated 1928; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. F.W. Simmons, 1889-1906. Present clergyman, Rev. Henry A. Swecker, Box 145,

Crystal, Montcalm County.

Session minutes, 1918-30, 2 loose-leaf files, 1931--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1923-31, loose-leaf files, 1931--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1913-21, 1 vol; 1925--, 1 vol. Records in custody of secretary, Mrs. B.O. Goens, 114 St. Marys St., Decatur. No other records found.

9. CHURCH OF GOD, 1890-, S. Main and Pearl Sts., Three Rivers, St. Joseph County.

Organized 1890. From 1890 to 1930 services held in private homes and a rented hall. First and present church building dedicated 1930; enlarged 1933, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Myrtie Fosdick, tenure unknown. Present clergyman, Rev. Martin L. Vanhoose, 110 South Main St., Three Rivers.

No records found.

10. CHURCH OF GOD, 1893-, M 60, Burlington, Calhoun County.

Organized 1893. First and present church building, Girard Township, Branch County, erected 1893, moved to present site, remodeled and dedicated 1910; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Charles Eldredge, 1893-1928. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles Stowe, R.R. #2, Tekonsha.

Session minutes, 1928--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1928--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1928--, 2 vols. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

11. CHURCH OF GOD, 1895--, 417 Trowbridge St., Allegan, Allegan County.

Organized 1895. From 1895 to 1907 services held in a school-house and private residences. First and present church building dedicated 1907; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. A. Palmer, 1895-98. Present clergyman, Rev. Ivan G. Yerden, S. Marshall St., Allegan.

No records found,

12. CHURCH OF GOD, 1895--, Olive Rd. and Temen St., St. Louis, Gratiot County.

Organized 1895. Services first held in Pine River and Oak Grove school buildings. First and present church building purchased from United Brethern Congregation, rebuilt and dedicated 1895; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Elizabeth Walter, 1895-99. Present clergyman, Rev. Marvin L. Coffman, 425 Seaman St., St. Louis.

Session minutes, 1922-, 2 vols., in custody of treasurer,

Jessie Detwiler, St. Louis. No other records found.



13. CHURCH OF GOD, 1899--, E. Williams St., East Jordan, Charlevoix County.

Organized 1899. From 1899 to 1903 services held in private homes. First and present church building, formerly East Jordan High School building, purchased and dedicated 1903; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Roy Sheldon, tenure unknown. Present layreader, Ora Holly, East Jordan.

Session minutes (including financial and Sunday School records), 1899-1934, 2 vols. Records in custody of treasurer, Mrs. A.E. Bartlett,

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East Jordan. No other records found.

14. CHURCH OF GOD, 1901--. Fifth St., Coleman, Midland County.

Organized 1901. From 1901 to 1909 services held in private homes. First and present church building purchased from Seventh Day Adventists, dedicated 1909; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Charles Sisler, 1902-6. Present clergyman, Rev. Mabel Stickney, R.R. 1, Box 3, Coleman.

No records found.

15. CHURCH OF GOD, 1905--, 700 Fifth St., Muskegon Heights, Muskegon County.

Organized 1905. From 1905 to 1910 services held in rented store building, Myrtle Ave. First and present church building dedicated 1910; enlarged 1929, brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. B.H. Vanlaanen, 1907-8. Present clergyman, Rev. William T. Schroeder, 704 Fifth St., Muskegon Heights, also pastor of Church of God, Grand Haven, Ottawa County (see entry 26).

Session minutes (including financial records, 1905-27), 1910--, 3 vols. Financial records, 1927--, 3 vols. Sunday School records,

1928--, 3 vols. Records in custody of pastor.

16. CHURCH OF GOD, 1906--, 202 W. Hurlbut St., Charlevois, Charlevoix County.

Organized 1906. From 1906 to 1917 services held in a chapel, two and one-half miles east of Charlevois. First and present church building dedicated 1917; stone structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Albert Winter, 1906-7. Present clergyman, Rev. Horace J. Pulsipher, 204 Hurlbut Ave., Charlevoix.

Session minutes (including financial records), 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

17. CHURCH OF GOD, 1908--, Port and Church Sts., St. Joseph, Berrien County.

Organized 1908. Services first held in home of Rudolph Hoffman, 1105 Pine Street, and in various private homes, later in Ralm building. First and present church building dedicated 1909; cement block structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. August Schmitz, 1908-11. Present clergyman, Rev. Friedrich Werner, 12 Church St., St. Joseph.



Session minutes, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of secretary, Walter Doty, 1424 S. State St. Register (baptisms, marriages, and deaths), 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. Financial records, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Emmil Korock, R.R. #1, Benton Harbor. Sunday School records, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Emma Graber, 806 E. High St., Benton Harbor.

18. CHURCH OF GOD, 1909--, S. East St., Cassopolis, Cass County.

Organized 1909. From 1909 to 1912 services held in private homes. First and present church building erected 1912, remodeled and dedicated 1936; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Mr. Dice. 1909-11. Present clergyman, Rev. Sarah Bishop, 410 S. O'Keefe St., Cassopolis.

Session minutes, 1925--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1925--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1925--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

19. CHURCH OF GOD, 1910--, Floyd, Midland County.

Organized 1910. Services first held in Gleaners Hall. First and present church building dedicated 1915; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Frances Eastman, 1910-34. Present clergyman, Elulae Harold Messer, Floyd.

Session minutes, 1912--, 2 vols. Financial records, 1915--, 2 vols. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

20. SOUTH STREET CHURCH OF GOD, 1910--, 213 E. South St., Lansing, Ingham County.

Organized 1910. First church building, Lathrop and Marcus St., erected 1910, frame structure. Present church building purchased from a Baptist congregation, dedicated 1924; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Charles S. Sisler, 1910-22. Present clergyman, Rev. A. Leland Forrest, 319 Moores River Drive, Lansing.

Register (baptisms only), 1938--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1938--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1910-14, 1 vol.; 1914--, 26 vols. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

21. CHURCH OF GOD, 1912--, North and Park Sts., Boyne City, Charlevoix County.

Organized 1912. From 1912 to 1920 services held in private homes and rented halls. First and present church building dedicated 1920; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. James W. Ruehle, tenure unknown. Present clergyman, Rev. Belle J. Harris, 308 N. Park St., Boyne City.

Session minutes (including financial and Sunday School records), 1912--, 5 vols. No other records found.



22. BURTON HEIGHTS CHURCH OF GOD, 1912--, Buchanan and Griggs Sts., Grand Rapids, Kent County.

Organized 1912. From 1912 to 1923 services held in home of Oscar Benton, 937 Norwich Ave., later in rented store buildings, Division Ave., and Jefferson Ave. First and present church building dedicated 1923; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Allan Pontious, 1920-27. Present clergyman, Rev. Martin Raab, 104 Stewart St., Grand Rapids.

Session minutes (including register of marriages and deaths), 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of secretary, L.D. Williams, 1811 Palace Ave. Financial records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of treasurer, Thor. Jorgensen, Buchanan and Cutler Sts. Sunday School records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

23. CHURCH OF GOD, 1914--, Stanton, Montcalm County.

Organized 1914. From 1914 to 1939 services held in various rented buildings. Since 1939 services held in frame dwelling purchased by congregation. First settled clergyman, Rev. George W. Dyer, 1914-16. Present clergyman, Rev. Donald A. Frazee, 417 N. Smith St., Greenville.

Session minutes (including financial records), 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

24. FIRST CHURCH OF GOD, 1914--, Sixth and Maple Sts., Clare, Clare County.

Organized 1914. From 1914 to 1927 services held in home of Emma Stough Youman, Vernon Hill; Baptist church building, purchased store building and various other rented buildings. First and present church building dedicated 1927; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Mary House, 1922-26. Present clergyman, Rev. Harry L. Cleveland, 303 W. State St., Clare.

Session minutes (including financial records), 1921--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1918--, 4 vols. Records in custody of Vera B. Peterson. Clare.

25. CHURCH OF GOD, 1915--, Delaware and Iowa Aves., Flint, Genesee County.

Organized 1915. From 1915 to 1917 s ervices held in private homes, later in a tent, Texas St., now Leith St. First church building, Mabel and Minnesota Aves., erected 1917, remodeled 1919, frame structure. Present church building dedicated 1927; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Roy Sheldon, 1916-21. Present clergyman, Rev. William Thomas Seaton, 1605 Delaware Ave., Flint.

Session minutes 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. Financial records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of treasurer, Earl Collins, 729 Barrie

St. No other records found.



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26. CHURCH OF GOD, 1915--, Fifth and Fulton Sts., Grand Haven, Ottawa County.

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Organized 1915. From 1915 to 1922 services held in rented store building, Fifth and Fulton Sts. First and present church building dedicated 1922; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Benjamin Swart, 1915-22. Present clergyman, Rev. William T. Schroeder, 704 Fifth St., Muskegon Heights, Muskegon County, also pastor of Church of God, Muskegon Heights (see entry 15).

Financial records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No

other records found.

27. CHURCH OF GOD, 1916 -- , 409 Fitch St., Albion, Calhoun County.

Organized 1916. From 1916 to 1924 services held in W.C.T.U. rooms. Lapsed 1924; revived 1925. First and present church building purchased and dedicated 1928; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Stanton T. Rife, 1916-24. Present clergyman, Rev. Blaine E. Varner, 308 Austin Ave., Albion.

No records found.

28. NORTH BRADLEY CHURCH OF GOD, 1916--, North Bradley, Midland County.

Organized 1916. From 1916 to 1919 services held in private homes and in a schoolhouse. First and present church building dedicated 1919; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Mr. Shelly, 1916-19. Present clergyman, Rev. Olive M. Haller, North Bradley.

Sunday School records, 1917 -- , 2 vols., in custody of pastor.

No other records found.

29. CHURCH OF GOD, 1917 -- , Crystal, Montcalm County.

Organized 1917. Services first held in country schoolhouse, purchased and moved to Crystal in 1917. Present church building dedicated 1931; cement block structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. George W. Dyre, tenure unknown. Present clergyman, Rev. Stephen J. High, Crystal.

Session minutes, 1917--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmation marriages, members, and deaths), 1917--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1917--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

vol. Records in custody of pastor.

30. BETHANY CHURCH OF GOD, 1917--, 3400 Beniteau Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1917. First and present church building dedicated 1917; remodeled 1927, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. C.E. Brown, 1917-30. Present clergyman, Rev. Estel E. Perry, 3410 Beniteau Ave., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1917--, 20 vols. Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1917--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1917--, 17 vols. Sunday School records, 1917--, 20 vols. Records in custody of pastor.



31. CHURCH OF GOD, 1917--, 910 Bennett St., Jackson, Jackson County.

Organized 1917. Services first held in rented buildings, Wesley St., Franklin St., and later Mechanic St. First and present church building dedicated 1924; frame structure, stucco finish. First settled clergyman, Rev. S.J. Brooks, 1911-20. Present clergyman, Rev. Joseph Cirone, 708 S. West Ave., Jackson.

Session minutes (including financial and Sunday School records), 1921--, 1 vol. Register: members only, 1921--, 20 vols. Records in

custody of pastor. No other records found.

32. CHURCH OF GOD, 1919---, N. Euclid Ave., Bay City, Bay County.

Organized 1919. From 1919 to 1938 services held in Indian Church building and private homes, later in rented church building, 401 East Jenny Street, West Bay City. First and present church building dedicated 1938; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. James Gillespie Sr., 1919-24. Present clergyman, Rev. Minnie Shouse, Town Line Road, R.R. 3, Bay City.

Session minutes, 1937--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1933--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1937--, 1 vol. Records in custody of

pastor.

33. CHURCH OF GOD, 1919--, High and Bridge Sts., Belding, Ionia County.

Organized 1919. From 1919 to 1920 services held in tent, later in G.A.R. Hall. First and present church building dedicated 1920; remodeled 1926, cement block structure. First clergyman, Rev. Iris Armstrong, 1919-24. Present clergyman, Rev. Weldon F. Lane, 634 Morton Ave., Belding.

Session minutes (including financial and Sunday School records), 1919--, 6 vols., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

34. CHURCH OF GOD (Greek), 1919--, Beniteau and Goethe Aves., Detroit.

Organized 1919. From 1919 to 1936 services held in rented buildings. Since 1936 services held in church owned by Bethany Church of God (see entry 30). First settled clergyman, Rev. Constantenous Nickolaou, 1919-20. Present clergyman, Rev. John Pappos, 6164 Dorothy Ave.

Session minutes, 1919--, 5 vols., in custody of secretary, John Papathopoulos, 6164 Dorothy Ave. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1919--, 8 vols., in custody of pastor. Financial records, 1919--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1919--, 3 vols. Records in custody of treasurer, Christopher Georgopoulos, 3803 McClellan Ave.



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35. CHURCH OF GOD, 1919--, St. Johns and Emerson Sts., Ithaca, Gratiot County.

Organized 1919. From 1919 to 1921 services held in homes of members. First and present church building erected 1921, frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. George W. Lewis, 1919--, Ithaca, Gratiot County.

No records found.

36. CHURCH OF GOD, 1919--, Bay and E. Carpenter Sts., Midland, Midland County.

Organized 1919. Services first held in the old Courthouse, later in White Hall, Forneir and Buette Sts., also in Unitarian Building. First and present church building dedicated 1932; cement block structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Homer Pontius, 1919-22. Present clergyman, Rev. Edgar M. Powell, 1402 E. Carpenter St., Midland.

Session minutes, 1931--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1919-31, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1930--, 1 vol. Records in custody of

pastor. No other records found.

37. CHURCH OF GOD, 1920--, W. Charles St., Greenville, Montcalm County.

Organized 1920. First and present church building dedicated 1921; cement block structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Charles Decker, 1920-24. Present clergyman, Rev. William E. Todd, N. Charles St., Greenville.

No records found.

38. CHURCH CF GOD (Colored), 1920--, 745 N. Jenison St., Lansing, Ingham County.

Organized 1920. From 1920 to 1923 services held in pastor's home, 1309 Hyland St., and a rented building, 600 Fairview Ave., later in rented hall, Olds and Cowles Aves. Since 1923 services have been held in basement of uncompleted church building, dedicated 1923; brick structure. Firs t settled clergyman, Rev. Victoria Evans, 1920-27. Present clergyman, Rev. Milton T. Hill, 1309 Hyland St., Lansing.

Session minutes, 1922--, 18 vols. Registers: Baptisms, 1933--, 1 vol.; marriages and deaths, 1933--, 1 vol.; members, 1922--, 2 vols. Financial records, 1922--, 2 vols. Sunday School records,

1922--, 18 vols. Records in custody of pastor.

39. CHURCH OF GOD, 1921--, North and Holbrook Sts., Flint, Genesee County..

Organized 1921. First and present church building dedicated 1922; remodeled 1936, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. James Bush, 1921-26. Present clergyman, Rev. Grover C. Johnson, 517 E. Marengo Ave., Flint.

Session minutes, 1921--, 2 vols. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1934--, 1 vol. Financial



records, 1921--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1932--, 2 vols. Records in custody of pastor.

40. CHURCH OF GOD, 1921 -- , Franklin St., Otsego, Allegan County.

Established 1915, organized 1921. From 1915 to 1924 services were held in private homes and various rented halls. First and present church building, purchased 1924, remodeled and dedicated 1939; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Paul Koole, 1925-29. Present clergyman, Rev. Lester R. Worden, 352 E. Orleans St., Otsego, also pastor of Church of God, Otsego (see entry 41).

Session minutes, 1923--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1915--, 3 vols. Sunday School records, 1932--, 1 vol. Records in custody of

pastor.

41. CHURCH OF GOD, 1922--, 112 S. Kalamazoo St., Otsego, Allegan County.

Organized 1922. Services first held in rented store building, 108 West Allegan St. First and present church building, a converted residence, remodeled and dedicated 1940; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Martin J. Raab, 1922-28. Present clergyman, Rev. Lester R. Worden, 352 E. Orleans St., Otsego, also pastor of Church of God, Otsego (see entry 40).

Financial records, 1922--, 1 vol. Register (marriages, members, deaths), 1922--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pas tor. No other records

found.

42. CHURCH OF GOD, 1923--, Prospect and W. Center Sts., Alma, Gratiot County.

Organized 1923. Services are held in private homes. First settled clergyman, Rev. Edward Grier, 1935-38. Present clergyman, Rev. R.J. Tuttle, 217 W. End St., Alma.

Session minutes, 1935--, 5 vols. Financial records, 1935--, 5 vols. Sunday School records, 1935--, 2 vols. Records in custody of

pastor. No other records found.

43. CHURCH OF GOD, 1923--, 787 Superior St., Benton Harbor, Berrien County.

Organized 1923. From 1923 to 1926 services held in rented building, Catalpa St., Y.W.C.A. building and later in Library Hall. First and present church building dedicated 1926; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. Walter Butgereit, 1923--, 207 McCord St., Benton Harbor.

Session minutes, 1923--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1923--, card index. Financial records, 1923--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1923--, card index. Records in custody of pastor.



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44. CHURCH OF GOD, 1923--, 15715 Dexter Blvd., Detroit.

Organized 1923. First and present church building dedicated 1923; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Mr. Ronk, 1923-27. Present clergyman, Rev. Ivan E. Watts, 15745 Dexter Blvd.

No records found.

45. FIRST CHURCH OF GOD, 1924--, 524 Aldrich St., Cadillac, Wexford County.

Organized 1924. Services first held in a tent. First and present church building dedicated 1924; remodeled 1936, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Lawrence E. Foudy, 1924-25. Present clergyman, Rev. Byril C. Van Every, 407 Fifth St., Cadillac.

Financial records, 1924--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1924--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

46. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1924--, 230 Mussy St., Romeo, Macomb County.

Organized 1924. Services first held in private homes. First and present church building dedicated 1924; remodeled 1936; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Anna Moore, 1924-30. Present clergyman, Rev. R. Henderson, Romeo.

Session minutes (including financial records), 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of secretary and treasurer, Sara Steward, 217 Harriet St. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. Sunday School records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of E. Lothery, 259 Clinton St.

47. FIRST CHURCH OF GOD, 1924--,  $301\frac{1}{\Omega}$  E. Congress St., Sturgis, St. Joseph County.

Organized 1924. First and present church building dedicated 1924; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Clyde F. Steepleton, 1924-25. Present clergyman, Rev. Gwendolyn C. Bentley, 206 F. Congress St., Sturgis.

No records found.

48. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1925--, 20060 Wisconsin Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1925. First and present church building dedicated 1926; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. John Richard, 1925--, 411 Palmerston Ave., River Rouge, also pastor of Church of God, River Rouge (see entry 51).

Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.



49. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1925--, 629 N. Pitcher St., Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo County.

Organized 1925. Services first held in rented hall, Harrison St., later in private home. First and present church building dedicated 1926; cement block structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Roy Jackson, 1929-31. Present clergyman, Rev. Jesse L. Caldwell, 621 N. Pitcher St., Kalamazoo.

Session minutes, 1930--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1925--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

50. CHURCH OF GOD, 1925--, 105 S. Lansing St., Mt. Pleasant, Isabella County.

Organized 1925. Services first held in rented church building, Fancher St., later in rented store building. First and present church building dedicated 1927; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Jacob A. Rowe, 1925-30. Present clergyman, Rev. Chester W. Egert, 823 E. Broadway St., Mt. Pleasant.

Session minutes, 1927--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1927--, loose-leaf binder. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

51. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1925--, 409 Palmerston Ave., River Rouge, Wayne County.

Organized 1925. Services first held in parsonage, 411 Palmerston Ave. First and present church building dedicated 1925; remodeled 1927; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. John Richards, 1925--, 411 Palmerston Ave., River Rouge, also pastor of Church of God, Detroit (see entry 48).

Session minutes, 1925--, 12 vols., in custody of pastor. No

other records found.

52. CHURCH OF GOD, 1925--, Charles St. and Union Ave., Saginaw, Saginaw County.

Organized 1925. First and present church building dedicated 1925; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Charles Decker, 1925-27. Present clergyman, Rev. Louis E. Wagoner, 1815 Benjamin St., Saginaw.

Session minutes, 1925--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1925--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1925--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1925--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

53. NORTHWESTERN CHURCH OF GOD, 1926--, 9640 Sorrento St., Detroit.

Organized 1926. From 1926 to 1933 services held in rented store building, Grand River Avenue, near Mendota Ave. First and present church building leased 1933; purchased 1938; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Harry L. Harp, 1926-28. Present clergyman, Rev. Gilbert E. Swart, 11761 Meyers Road.



Session minutes, 1926--, 2 vols. Register (marriages and deaths), 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. Financial records, 1926--, 2 vols. Records in custody of secretary, Hugh K. Watson, 14506 Sussex St.

54. CHURCH OF GOD, 1926--, Main and Webber Sts., Farwell, Clare County.

Crganized 1926. First and present church building purchased from Congregational congregation, dedicated 1926; frame building. First and present clergyman, Rev. Mary E. House, 1926--, Box 185, Farwell.

Sunday School records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

55. CHURCH OF GOD, 1926--, Tenth and Union Sts., Port Huron, St. Clair County.

Organized 1926. From 1926 to 1939 services held in private home, Howard St., since 1939 on first floor of an apartment building. First settled clergyman, Rev. Lyman Hoops, 1926-38. Present clergyman, Rev. D.E. Nelson, 629 Lapeer Court, Port Huron.

No records found.

56. CHURCH OF GOD, 1927--, Fourth and Lewis Sts., Alpena, Alpena County.

Organized 1927. Services first held in rented building, Lockwood and Sixth Sts. First and present church building purchased, remodeled and dedicated 1938; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. John Koler, 1927-29. Present clergyman, Rev. George W. Dyer, 234 W. Lewis St., Alpena.

Sunday School records, 1927--, 2 vols. Records in custody of

pastor. No other records found.

57. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1927--, 3050 Scotten Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1927. First and present church building dedicated 1927; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. Annie J. Young, 1927--, 4892 Bangor St., Detroit.

Register (marriages, members, and deaths), 1927--, card index, in custody of pastor. Financial records, 1927--, card index, in custody of treasurer, Norman Martin, 5440 Tillman St. Sunday School records, 1927--, card index, in custody of pastor.

58. STATE FAIR CHURCH OF GOD, 1927--, State Fair and Coventry Aves., Detroit.

Organized 1927. Services first held in rented halls, later in chapel, Newbern and Victoria Aves. First and present church building dedicated 1929; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. R. Dewitt Howell, 1927-31. Present clergyman, Rev. Walter A. Shriner, 20131 Greeley Ave.

Session minutes, 1927--, 1 vol. Register (marriages and deaths), 1931--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1927--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1927--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.



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59. CHURCH OF GOD, 1927--, Wrights Corners, Howell, Livingston County.

Organized 1927. Services first held in rented hall; since 1931 in District School building. First and present clergyman, Rev. Charles E. Dietrick, 1927--, 615 N. Barnard St., Howell.

Regsiter (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1927--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1931--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1931--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

60. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1927--, 324 E. High St., Jackson, Jackson County.

Organized 1927. From 1927 to 1928 services held in rented hall, 159 E. Michigan Ave. First church building, a converted residence, dedicated 1928; frame structure. Present building dedicated 1938; cement block structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Charles White, 1927-28. Present clergyman, Rev. Jay E. Butler, 1307 Hyland Ave., Lansing, Ingham County.

Session minutes, 1927--, 13 vols. Sunday School records, 1927--, 13 vols. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

61. CHURCH OF GOD, 1930--, W. Court St. and Beacher Rd., Flint, Genesee County.

Organized 1930. Services are held in rented building. First settled clergyman, Rev. S.R. Birdsell, 1930-33. Present clergyman, Rev. Lawrence S. Shaw, 3025 Beecher Rd., Flint.

Session minutes, 1930--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1930--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1930--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1930--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

62. CHURCH OF GOD, 1930 -- , Michigan Ave., Remus, Mecosta County.

Organized 1930. From 1930 to 1935 services held in private homes. First and present church building dedicated 1935; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. Lynn D. Wright, 1930--, Box 2, Remus. Session minutes, 1930--, 2 vols. Financial records, 1930--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1930--, 3 vols. Records in custody of pastor.

63. CHURCH OF GOD, 1931--, 2458 Plainfield Ave., N.E., Pasadena Park, Grand Rapids, Kent County.

Organized 1931. Services are held in a rented store building pending the completion of new church building, Pasadena Ave. and Hollywood St. First settled clergyman, Rev. Floyd Bowman, 1931-39. Present clergyman, Rev. Cecil Knight, 858 Hollywood St., N.E., Grand Rapids.

No records found.



64. CHURCH OF GOD, 1931--, 222 S. Shirley St., Pontiac, Oakland County.

Organized 1931. First and present church building dedicated 1931; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Dan Ratslaff,. 1931-37. Present clergyman, Rev. Ralph H. Winans, 354 Whittemore St., Pontiac.

Session minutes (including register of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths, and Sunday School records), 1931--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of treasurer Clarence Johnson, 38 N. Sanford St.

65. CHURCH OF GOD TABERNACIE (Colored), 1931--, 431 Monroe Ave., Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County.

Organized 1931. First and present church building dedicated 1931; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Dolly Martin, 1931-33. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles A. White, 623 Monroe Ave., Ypsilanti.

Session minutes (including financial records, 1931-32), 1931--, 3 vols. Financial records, 1932--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

66. CHURCH OF GOD (Mission), 1932--, 21 Virginia Ave., Battle Creek, Calhoun County.

Organized 1932. First and present church building, formerly a school building, purchased and dedicated 1933; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. Emma Burgess, 48 Twenty-third St., Battle Creek.

Session minutes (including financisl records), 1932--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

67. CHURCH OF GOD, 1933--, One-half mile north of Main St., on M. 66, Barryton, Mecosta County.

Organized 1933. From 1933 to 1938 services held in Church of Christ church building. First and present church building dedicated 1938; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. Mary Barbour, 1933--, R.R. 1, Barryton.

Session minutes, 1938--, 2 vols. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1938--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1938--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

68. CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, Alpha, Iron County.

Established 1933, organized 1934. Services first held in private homes; since 1934 in rented hall. First settled clergyman, Rev. Marvin E. Peterson, 1934-39. Services now conducted by layreader, Emil Forsman, Alpha.

Session minutes (including financial records), 1934-38, 2 vols.; in custody of layreader; 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Halmer Dahlgren, 342 Gold St., Negaunee, Marquette County. Sunday School records, 1934--, 7 vols., in custody of Evelyn Jackson, Alpha.



69. CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, 68 Navarre St., Monroe, Monroe County.

Organized 1934. Services first held in rented building, Palmwood Drive. First and present church building, a converted residence, purchased and dedicated 1934; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Clyde E. Steepleton; 1934-37. Present pastor, Rev. W.W. Brewer, 402 W. Sixth St., Monroe.

Session minutes, 1934--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1934--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

70. CHURCH OF GOD, 1935--, 324 N. Marshall St., Marshall, Calhoun County.

Organized 1935. Services first held in private homes. First and present church building, a converted residence, purchased and dedicated 1936; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. Edward Ellis, 1935--, 320 N. Marshall St., Marshall.

Session minutes, 1935--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1935--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1936--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

71. CHURCH OF GOD, 1935--, Ryan and Walnut Sts., Owosso, Shiawassee County.

Organized 1935. Services first held in rented buildings, 408 Huggins St., Cass and Green Sts., Woodlawn St., and 208 Huggins St. Church building under construction, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. 7.E. Sands, 1935-36. Present clergyman, Rev. Elmer Coleman, 211 N. Lansing St., Owosso.

No records found.

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72. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1935--, 1315 N. Eighth St., Saginaw, Saginaw County.

Organized 1935. From 1935 to 1939 services held in rented buildings. First and present church building dedicated 1939; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Marie Perttle, 1935-38. Present clergyman, Rev. J.T. Smith, 3309 Industrial Ave., Flint, Genesee County.

Session minutes, 1935--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Marie Perttle, 1352 Myrtle St., Saginaw. No other records found.

73. CHURCH OF GOD, 1936--, Phelps St., Laingsburg, Shiawassee County.

Organized 1936 by several members of the North Lansing Church of God. From 1936 to 1940 services held in a rented store building. First and present church building dedicated 1940; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Rev. Wesley R. Hutchings, 1936--, P.O. Box 55, Laingsburg.

Session minutes, 1936--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1936--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1936--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.



74. CHURCH OF GOD, 1936 -- , One and one half miles Northeast of Hope, Midland County.

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Organized 1936. Services first held in halls, private homes, and school buildings. First and present church building dedicated 1936; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Louis Wagner, 1936-37. Present clergyman, Rev. George Huber, R R. 2, Beaverton, Gladwin County. Financial records (including Sunday School records), 1932--,

2 vols., in custody of secretary, Mrs. Anna Youman, Hope. No other

records found.

75. CHURCH OF GOD (defunct), 1937, 407 South Ashley St., Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County.

Organized 1937. Lapsed 1937 for reasons undetermined. Services held in Masonic Auditorium. First and only clergyman, Rev. Laura M. McCrea, 1937, 407 South Ashley St., Ann Arbor. No records found.

76. CHURCH OF GOD, 1937 -- , E. State St., Colon, St. Joseph County.

Organized 1937. First and present church building purchased from Reformed congregation, dedicated 1938; brick structure. First settled clergyman, name and tenure unknown. Present clergyman, Rev. Walter Lawrence, Weaver, Colon.

No records found.

CHURCH OF GOD, 1937 -- W. Church St., Hart, Oceana County. 77.

Organized 1937. Services are held in a rented building. First settled clergyman, Rev. W.T. Schraeder, 1937. Present clergyman, Rev. Margie Gring, Mears.

Financial records, 1938 -- . 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1938 -- , 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

CHURCH OF GOD, 1937--, 410 E. Lovell St., Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo County.

Organized 1937. Services first held in Y.M.C.A. building, now in rented hall, present site. First and present clergyman, Rev. John W. Batdorf, 1937 -- , 1916 Cameron St., Kalamazoo.

Session minutes (including financial and Sunday School records), 1937 -- , 1 vol. Records in custody of church clerk, John Poolman. No other records found.

79. CHURCH OF GOD, 1937 -- , 936 State St., Lincoln Park, Wayne

Organized 1937. Services are held in rented store building. First and present clergyman, Rev. E.L. Harris, 1937 -- , 15150 Southfield Road, Allen Park.

Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1937--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1937--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1937--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.



80. OAKLAND CHURCH OF GOD, 1938--, 7340 Oakland Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1938. Services first held in home of Mrs. Edna Messer, 7575 Richmond St., now held in rented store building. Church building under construction, brick structure. First and 'present clergyman, Rev. John F. Lemke, 1938--, 644 Smith Ave., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1938--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1938--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1938--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.



#### CHURCH OF GOD

## CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE

#### ORGANIZATIONS

81. GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF CHURCH OF GOD, formerly Holiness Church, 1906 -- , office of the General Overseer, 871 Montgomery Ave., Cleveland. Tenn.

Organized 1906. This assembly which meets annually makes pastoral appointments, receives district reports, directs missionary activities for the ensuing year, and elects the twelve counselors to the executive body. Departments: Education, Missionary, Orphanage, Church of God Publishing House, and Bible Training School. Officers: General overseer, Rev. J.H. Walker; assistant general overseer, Rev. R.P. Johnson; secretary and treasurer, Rev. E.J. Boehmer, all of Cleveland, Tenn.; general superintendent of Education, Zeno C. Thorp, Sevierville, Tenn.; General overseer of Negro congregations, Rev. N.S. Marcelle, Cleveland, Tenn. General Board of Trustees: Rev. E.J. Boehmer, Rev. J.C. Jernigan, Rev. Glover P. Ledford, all of Cleveland, Tenn.; Rev. P.M. Ellis, Tampa, Fla.; Rev. E.W. Williams, Jacksonville, Fla.

Records not inventoried in this survey.

82. MICHIGAN ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1925 -- , office of the State Overseer, 949 Reed Place, Detroit.

Organized 1925. This organization, the co-ordinating body for the state, acts to stimulate interest in mission and bible work, conveys doctrinal decisions, and has general supervision over the business administration of the churches within the state. Officers: State overseer, Rev. E.O. Kerce, 949 Reed Place, Detroit; district officers, Rev. E.E. Winters, Stanley and Sixteenth Sts., Detroit; Rev. C.W. Florence, Midway Ave., Pontiac; Rev. J.D. Conrad, Cadillac; secretary-treasurer, Rev. W. Carl Milligan, 2656 St. Jean Ave., Detroit; State superintendent of schools and Young People, Miss May Corly, 1247 Clairmount, Detroit. State Board of Trustees: Rev. E.O. Kerce, Detroit; Rev. Grover Strevol, Mt. Clemens; Rev. Ben McClellan, Port Huron; Rev. Floyd Jackson, Bitely.

Session minutes, 1925 -- , 16 vols. Financial records, 1925 -- , 16 vols. Membership records, 1925 -- , 16 vols. Records in custody of

secretary, Rev. W. Carl Milligan, Detroit.



# CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE

#### CONGREGATIONS

83. CHURCH OF GOD, 1920--,5686 Sixteenth St., Detroit.

Organized 1920, From 1920 to 1926 services held in rented building, Fourth and Plum Sts. First church building, Stanley and Brooklyn Aves., erected 1926, brick structure. Present building dedicated 1929; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Myls Cross, 1920-28. Present clergyman, Rev. Eugene Winters, 5686 Sixteenth St., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1920--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1 vol., (current only). Sunday School records, 1920--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

84. THE CHURCH OF GOD (Mission), 1924--, 306 Midway Ave., Pontiac, Oakland County.

Organized 1924. Services first held in rented store building. First and present church building erected 1928, frame structure, stucco finish. First settled clergyman, Rev. Herbert Maquire, 1924-25. Present clergyman, Rev. Clarence W. Florence. 306 Midway Ave.. Pontiac.

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Session minutes, 1924--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1924--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1924--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1924--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

85. CHURCH OF GOD, 1926--, 216 North Bridge St., Grand Ledge, Eaton County.

Organized 1926. From 1926 to 1927 services held in G.A.R. Hall. Services now held in rented store building. First settled clergyman, Rev. Charles Cook, 1926-27. Present elergyman, Rev. Ruth E. Justin, 203 W. Main St., Grand Ledge.

Session minutes, 1926--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1926--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1926--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

86. NORTH WOODVILLE CHURCH OF GOD, 1929--, R.R.l, North Woodville, Newago County.

Organized 1929. From 1929 to 1934 services held in private homes. First and present church building dedicated 1934; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Marcus Lowe, 1934-35. Present clergyman, Rev. Jerry Biskner, R. 2, Paris, Mecosta County.

Session minutes, 1929--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1929--, 1 vol. Financial records 1929--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1929--, 11 vols. Records in custody of pastor.



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87. CHURCH OF GOD, 1929--, 1057 Hughes St., West Flint, Genesee County.

Organized 1929. First and present church building erected 1929, remodeled 1936, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. J. Underwood, 1929-32. Present clergyman, Rev. Lewis L. Turner, 1057 Hughes St., Flint.

Register (baptisms, marriages, and members), 1932--, 1 vol. in custody of pastor. Financial records, 1932--, 7 vols., in custody of Harold Mattis, Van Dyke Rd., Flint. Sunday School records, 1932--, 7 vols., in custody of Gordon Nallay, 6020 Lincoln Blvd., Flint.

88. THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1931--, Austin Twp., Mecosta County.

Organized 1931. From 1931 to 1933 services held in private homes. First and present church building erected 1933, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Robert Merrifield, 1931-33. Present clergyman, Rev. Lyles R. Jackson, R. 1, Stanwood.

Session minutes, 1931--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1931--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1931--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1931--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

89. CHURCH OF GOD, 1931--, 2515 Inkster Rd., Inkster, Wayne County.

Organized 1931. From 1931 to 1939 services held in private homes. First and present church building dedicated 1939; stone structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Joseph D. Conrad, 1931-33. Present clergyman, Rev. A.J. Allen, 3207 John Daily Road, Inkster.

Session minutes, 1931--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1 vol.(current only). Sunday School records, 1931--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

90. THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, 832 N. Mitchell St., Cadillac, Wexford County.

Organized 1934. Services held in rented store building. First settled clergyman, Rev. Loretto Gallapo, 1934-36. Present clergyman, Rev. Joseph D. Conrad, 212 Pollard St., Cadillac.

Session minutes, 1934, 1 vol. No other records found.

91. CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, 2561 Beniteau Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1934. From 1934 to 1939 services held in private homes. First and present church building dedicated 1939; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. James Lewis, 1934-36. Present clergyman, Rev. W. Carl Milligan, 2656 St. Jean Ave., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1934--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1934--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

92. CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, Lake Odessa, Ionia County.

Organized 1934. Services held in store building. First settled clergyman, Rev. Ruth Justin, 1934-35. No present pastor.

No records found.



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93. CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, 1073 E. Pierson Rd., North Flint, Genesee County.

Organized 1934. From 1934 to 1940 services held in rented building. First and present church building purchased in 1940; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Herbert Maquire, 1934-35. Present clergyman, Rev. W. Mason Barnard, 1118 Ridgeway Ave., Flint. Session minutes, 1937--, 4 vols. Register (confirmations,

marriages, members, deaths), 1937--, 4 vols. Register (confirmations, marriages, members, deaths), 1937--, 1 vol. Financial records (including baptisms, 1937--, 1 vol.), 1937--, 4 vols. Records in custody of pastor. Sunday School records, 1937--, 4 vols. in custody of John Rushing, 1205 Bundy St.

94. CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, R.R. 3, White Cloud, Newago County.

Organized 1934. Services are held in private homes. First and present clergyman, Rev. Arthur O. Anderson, R.R. 3, White Cloud.

Session minutes, 1934--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1934--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1934--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1938--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

95. CHURCH OF GOD, 1934--, 650 E. Chatham St., Windsor, Essex County, Ont., Canada.

Organized 1934. From 1934 to 1936 services held in various halls. First and present church building dedicated 1936; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Carl Hughes, 1934-35. Present clergyman, Rev. Marcus L. Lowe, 650 E. Chatham St., Windsor.

Session minutes, 1934--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1934--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

96. CHURCH OF GOD, 1936--, Tenth and Thomas Sts., Port Huron, St. Clair County.

Organized 1936. First and present church building dedicated 1936; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Paul H. Walker, 1936-37. Present clergyman, Rev. Carl G. Carder, 1011 Erie St., Port Huron. Session minutes, 1936--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1936--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1936--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

97. CHURCH OF GOD, 1939--, 1330 Paxton Ave., Ferndale, Oakland County.

Organized 1939. First and present church building dedicated 1939; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Nicholas Petri, 1939-40. Present clergyman, Rev. Fidel J. Thibodeau, 240 E. Marshall Ave., Ferndale.

Session minutes, 1939--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1939--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1939--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.



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- 98. CHURCH OF GOD, 1940--, 266 Saliotte St., Ecorse, Wayne County.
- Organized 1940. Services are held in rented store building. First and present clergyman, Rev. William J. Meszaros, 4499 Ninth St., Ecorse.
- Session minutes, 1940--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1940--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.
  - 99. CHURCH OF GOD (Mission), 1940--, 1655 Dix Rd., Lincoln Park, Wayne County.
- Organized 1940. Services are held in rented store building. First and present clergyman, Rev. Nicholas Petri, 1940--, 7621 Kolb St., Allen Park.
- Sunday School records, 1940--, 1 vol. Records in custody of Earl Fairchild, 3527 S. Edsel St., Detroit. No other records found.
  - 100. CHURCH OF GOD, 1940--, 68 Jerome St., Monroe, Monroe County.
- Organized 1940. Services are held in rented store building. First and present clergyman, Rev. Lewis M. Miller, 1940--, 25 Eliza St., Ecorse, Wayne County.
- Session minutes, 1940--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1940--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.



## CHURCH OF GOD

# A.J. TOMLINSON, GENERAL OVERSEER, CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE

## ORGANIZATIONS

101. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1906--, 303 Bible Pl., Cleveland, Tenn.

Organized 1906. This assembly which meets annually is devotional in enterprise, also conducts business and management for the ensuing year. State Overseers and General Secretaries are appointed at this assembly. Officers: General Overseer and publisher, Rev. A.J. Tomlinson; business manager and publisher, A.D. Evans; field secretary to the General Overseer, S.O. Gilliaspie; general treasurer, A.J. Lawson; Foreign Mission secretary, F.F. Johnson; Victory Leaders Band secretary, Miss Willard Boyle; Woman's Missionary Band secretary, Mrs. Eurice Bennett; Assembly Band Movement secretary, Eddie H. Griffith; general Sunday School secretary, Guy Marlow; all of Cleveland, Tenn. Departments: Victory Leaders Band, Woman's Missionary Band, Assembly Band Movement, Whitewing Messenger, and Joyful News.

Records not inventoried in this survey.

102. STATE CONVENTION, 1929--, office of the State Overseer, 2019 Nineteenth St., Detroit.

Organized 1929. Convention meets annually for devotional and business purposes. Annual reports received and reviewed. Officers: Chairman, Vernon H. Smith, 2019 Nineteenth St.; secretary to State Overseer, Mrs. Ethel Hoffman, 7441 Brush Ave.; treasurer, Mrs. Velma Durr, 516 E. Bethune Ave., all of Detroit. Departments: Same as general assembly (see entry 101).

Session minutes (including monthly reports, financial, membership, and Sunday School records), 1929--, loose-leaf, 1 vol. Records in custody of secretary.

102 A. ANNUAL MINISTER'S CONVENTION, 1936--, office of the State Overseer, 2019 Mineteenth St., Detroit.

Organized 1926. An annual convention for the ministers of the Michigan-Ontario district. Pastoral appointments for the ensuing year are made, theological studies are conducted, and district overseers are appointed. Officers: moderator, Vernon H. Smith, Detroit; district overseers, Frank Poloski, Detroit; Roy Maddox, Harbor Beach; Charles Durr, Detroit; Ralph Colvin, Battle Creek.

No records kept.



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## CONGREGATIONS

103. CHURCH OF GOD, 1930--, 146 Parish St., Battle Creek, Calhoun County.

Organized 1930. From 1930 to 1939 services held in rented store building. First and present church building purchased 1939; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Beulah Jacobs, 1930-36. Present clergyman, Rev. Ralph D. Colvin, 146 Parish St., Battle Creek, also pastor of Church of God, Sodus, Berrien County (see entry 105).

Session minutes, 1930--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1930--, 1 vol. Records in custody of Rose Huskins, 74 Peninsular Ave., Battle Creek. Sunday School records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Gladys Sylvester, 248 Logan St., Battle Creek.

104. THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1933--, 516 Bethune Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1933. Services are held in rented store building. First settled clergyman, Rev. Guy Klapp, 1933-35. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles Durr, 516 Bethune Ave., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1933--, 2 vols. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1933--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1933--, 1 vol. Records in custody of clerk, Ethel Hoffman, 7441 Brush St., Detroit.

105. CHURCH OF GOD, 1936--, Sodus , Berrien County.

Organized 1936. From 1936 to 1937 services held in private homes; since 1937 in rented store building. First settled clergyman, Rev. Vernon H. Smith. Present clergyman, Rev. Ralph S. Colvin, 146 Parish St., Battle Creek, Calhoun County, also pastor of Church of God, Battle Creek (see entry 103).

Session minutes, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

106. THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1936--, 3413 Bagley Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1936. Services first held in rented store building, Twenty-Fourth and Magnolia Sts., now held in rented building, present site. First settled clergyman, Rev. William W. Colvin, 1937-38. Present clergyman, Rev. Lola E. Smith, 2019 Nineteenth St., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1937--, 2 vols. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1936--, 1 vol. Records in custody of Ray Colvin, 1874 Twentieth St., Detroit.



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107. CHURCH OF GOD, 1937--, 238 N. Huron St., Harbor Beach, Huron County.

Organized 1937. Services first held in rented store building. First and present church building purchased 1939, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Lola E. Smith, 1937-38. Present clergyman, Rev. Roy Maddox, Box 134, Harbor Beach.

Session minutes (including financial records), 1937--, 2 vols. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, deaths), 1937--, 2 vols. Records in custody of clerk, Dorothy Wood, Fifth St., Harbor Beach.

108. CHURCH OF GOD, 1938 -- , Rochester, Oakland County.

Organized 1938. Services first held in rented store building, now held in private homes. First settled clergyman, Rev. John W. Chapman, 1938-39. Present clergyman, Rev. James Beem, Rochester.

Session minutes, 1938--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1938--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

109. THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1938 -- , Charlevoix and St. Jean Aves., Detroit

Organized 1938. Services are held in rented store building. First settled clergyman, Rev. Walter Hofner, 1939-40. Present clergyman, Rev. Claud W. Woodward, 1046 Clay Ave., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1938--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1938--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1938--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1938--, 1 vol. Records in custody of clerk, Anna Beck.

110. THE CHURCH OF GOD, 1940--, Fifth St. and Southfield Rd., Ecorse, Wayne County.

Organized 1940. Services are held in rented church building. First and present clergyman, Rev. Frank Poloski, 1940--, 1874 Twentieth St., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1940--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1940--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1940--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1940--, 1 vol. Records in custody of Clyde Pendergrass, R.R. 1, Wyandotte.



#### SEVENTH DAY CHURCH OF GOD

SALEM, WEST VIRGINIA

#### ORGANIZATIONS

. 111. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1933--, Salem, W. Va.

Organized 1933. A co-ordinating International body that meets annually to review the progress of the church during the past year, and maps programs for ensuing year. Overseers and general officers are elected for life. Officers: General Overseer, Rev. Andrew N. Duggar, Sweethome, Oregon. Counselors, Rev. Mr. Alexander, Missouri; Rev. Mr. McMicken, Salem, West Virginia; Rev. Mr. Grosshans, South Bend, Indiana; Rev. Mr. Haywood, Battle Creek, Michigan; Rev. Mr. Turner, Deckerville, Michigan; Rev. Mr. Robinson, Missouri; Rev. Mr. Haber, California; Rev. Mr. Sines, Mexico; Rev. Mr. Royer, Connecticut; Rev. Mr. Ellis, Panama; Rev. Mr. Narom, Norway. Assistant overseers, Rev. Messrs. Grimm, Robinson, Pearson, Summers, and Adams.

Records not inventoried by this survey.

112. MICHIGAN ASSEMBLY, 1863--, office of the president, 2645 Anderdon Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1863. The state co-ordinating body meets annually for business and religious discussion. Officers elected for life. Officers: President, Rev. James Merriam, Detroit; vice president, Rev. A.C. Turner, Deckerville; secretary, Pearl Walkley, Detroit; treasurer, Mable Cole, Detroit. Board members: Messrs. Walter Spencer, Freeland; Garner Thomson, Vassar; Cecil Hull, Detroit.

Session minutes (including financial, Sabbath School, and membership records), 1863--, 6 vols., in custody of secretary.



### SALEM, WEST VIRGINIA

#### CONGREGATIONS

113. FREELAND CHURCH OF GOD, 1899--, Freeland, Saginaw County.

Organized 1899. Services held in private homes, rented buildings and the Freeland School. First settled clergyman, Elder James Merriam,

1899-1920. Present clergyman, Elder Edson Merrian, Freeland.

Session minutes, 1899--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1899--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1899--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1899--, 1 vol. Records in custody of secretary, Myrtle Spencer, Freeland.

114. DECKERVILLE CHURCH OF GOD, 1924--, Deckerville, Sanilac County.

Organized 1924. First and present church building erected 1924, brick structure. First settled clergyman, Elder E.J. Davis, 1924-28. Present clergyman, Elder A.C. Turner, Deckerville.

Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1924--, l.vol. Records in custody of Elder A.C. Turner. No other records found.

115. CHURCH OF GOD, 1925--, 700 Fairview Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1925. From 1925 to 1940 services held in rented building, Charlevoix and St. Jean Aves. First and present church building dedicated 1940; frame structure. First and present clergyman, Elder James A. Merriam, 1925--, 2645 Anderdon Ave., Detroit.

Session minutes, 1925--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1925--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1925--, 1 vol. Sabbath School records, 1925--, 1 vol. Records in custody of Pearl Walkley, 2141 Lycaste Ave.

116. CHURCH OF GOD (Spanish), 1931--, 3330 Fifteenth St., Detroit.

Organized 1931. Services are held in a private home. First settled clergyman, Elder R.R. Saenz, 1931-35. Present clergyman, Elder Adolfo Guzman, 3330 Fifteenth Street, Detroit.

Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

117. CHURCH OF GOD, 1931--, 321 E. Water St., St. Charles, Saginaw County.

Organized 1931. Services first held in Garfil Mine Hall. First and present building dedicated 1940, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Elder Ermilo Duque, 1939-40. Present clergyman, Elder Julian A. Ojeda, St. Charles.

Session minutes, 1931--, 4 vols. Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1931--, 4 vols. Financial records, 1931--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1931--, 4 vols.



### CHURCHES OF GOD, NON-AFFILIATED

#### CONGREGATIONS

118. CHURCH OF GOD (Abrahamic Faith), 1864--, Blanchard, Isabella County.

Organized 1864. From 1864 to 1914 services held in Decker School. First and present church building dedicated 1914; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Cecil Snead, 1933-39. Present clergyman, Rev. Vivian Kirkpatrick, Blanchard.

Session minutes, 1933--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1933--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1935--, 2 vols. Sunday School records, 1928--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor. No other records found.

119. CHURCH OF GOD, 1878--, New Haven Twp., Gratiot County.

Organized 1878. First church building erected 1878, stone structure. Present building dedicated 1921; brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. John H. Ronk, tenure unknown. Present clergyman, Rev. Roy Miller, Ithaca.

Financial records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

120. CHURCH OF GOD (defunct), 1883-1939, Levering, Emmet County.

Organized 1883. Lapsed 1939 for reasons undetermined. From 1883 to 1900 services held in Canby and Bliss school buildings. First and only church building dedicated 1900; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Frank E. Isaac.

No records found.

121. CHURCH OF GOD, 1891--, R.R. 1, Colonville Corners, Sheridan Twp., Clare County.

Organized 1891. From 1891 to 1896 services held in a school building. First and present church building dedicated 1896; rebuilt 1936, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. M.D. Rogers, 1891-95. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles Kleinhart, R.R. 5, Clare, also pastor of Church of God, Elm Grove; and Church of God, Arthur Twp. (see entries 129, 138).

Session minutes (including register of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths, also Sunday School records), 1891--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1896--, 1 vol. Records in custody of Hazel Bodkins, Colonville, R.R. 1, Clare.



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122. EAGLE CHURCH OF GOD, 1891--, R.R. 2, Eagle Corners, Sheridan Twp., Clare County.

Organized 1891. From 1891 to 1915 services held in Eagle School. First and present church building dedicated 1915; stone structure. First settle& clergyman, Rev. M.D. Rogers, 1891-95. Present clergyman, Rev. M.R. Honderich, R.R. 2, Clare.

Session minutes, 1917--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor.
Register (members), 1917--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Ernst Kleiner,
R.R. 1, Clare. Financial records, 1917--, 1 vol., in custody of Henry
Kleiner, R.R. 1, Clare. Sunday School records, 1917--, 1 vol., in custody
of Elsie Rank, R.R. 2. No other records found.

123. DELO CHURCH OF GOD, 1895--, R.R. 3, Freemont Twp., Blanchard, Isabella County.

Organized 1895. Services first held in school building. First and present church building dedicated 1900; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Lemuel J. Teed, 1895-1902. Present clergyman, Rev. Frederick Snyder, Stanton, Montcalm County.

Session minutes, 1895--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. No other records found.

124. CHURCH OF GOD (defunct), 1895-1900, Mio, Oscoda County.

Organized 1895. Lapsed 1900 for reasons undetermined. Services held in private homes. First settled clergyman, Rev. Benjamin Craff, 1895-98. Last clergyman, unknown.

No records found.

125. CHURCH OF GOD, 1919--, N. Euclid St., Bangor Twp., Bay

Organized 1919. From 1919 to 1937 services held in private homes and rented church buildings. First and present church building erected 1937, brick structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. James Gillespie, 1919-24. Present pastor, Rev. Minnie Shouse, N. Euclid Road,

126. CHURCH OF GOD (defunct), 1922-28, 203 N. Dexter St., Ionia, Ionia County.

Organized 1922. Iapsed 1928 for reasons undetermined. Services first held in rented store building, 418 W. Main St., later in private home. First settled clergyman, Rev. Phillip Lippert, 1922-27. Last clergyman, Rev. Iris Armstrong, 1928.

No records found.

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127. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1922--, Vandalia, Cass County.

Organized 1922. First church building dedicated 1922; frame structure; destroyed by fire, 1938. Services now conducted in First Baptist Church. First settled clergyman, Rev. Ray S. Jackson, 1922-24. Present clergyman, Rev. Frank Wagoner, Vandalia.

Session minutes (including register of baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths, also financial records), 1922--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1922--, 1 vol. Records in custody of Mrs. C.B. Anderson,

Vandalia.

128. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1926--, 914 Williams St., Lansing, Ingham County.

Organized 1926. First and present church building dedicated 1926; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Jessie Smith, 1926-28. Present clergyman, Elder Martin, 914 Williams St., Lansing.

Session minutes (including register of baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths, also financial records), 1934--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1926--, 5 vols. Records in custody of pastor.

129. EIM GROVE CHURCH OF GOD, 1926--, R.R. 5, Elm Grove, Sheridan Twp., Clare County.

Organized 1926. First and present church building, purchased from Lutheran Congregation, dedicated 1926; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. F. Bates, 1926-31. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles Kleinhart, R.R. 5, Clare; also pastor of Church of God, Colonville Corners; and Church of God, Arthur Twp. (see entries 121, 138).

Session minutes, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Harry Bradley, R.R. 2, Elm Grove. Financial records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Rudolph Hildebrant, R.R. 2, Elm Grove. No other records found.

130. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1927--, 431 Hamblin Ave., Battle Creek, Calhoun County.

Organized 1927. Services first held in a private home, 376 Kalamazoo Street. First and present church building dedicated 1929; remodeled 1937, frame structure. First settled clergyman Rev. H.W. McLaurine, 1927-32. Present clergyman, Rev. J.Z. Steward, 431 Hamblin Avenue, Battle Creek.

Session minutes, 1929--, 1 vol. Financial records, 1929--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1927--, 1 vol. Records in custody of pastor.

131. GRANT STREET CHURCH OF GOD (Colored) 1928--, 4044 Grant St., Flint, Genesee County.

Organized 1928. First and present church building dedicated 1928; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Thomas Biddell, 1928-30. Present clergyman, Rev. Peter J. Cox, 4036 Grant St., Flint.

Session minutes, 1928--, 2 vols. Register (baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths), 1928--, 2 vols. Records in



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custody of Rose E. Smith, 1713 Oregon St. Financial records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of J.T. Mott, 4510 Maine St. Sunday School records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Silas Jarrett, 4509 Andrews St.

132. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1930--, 8751 Cardoni Ave., Detroit.

Organized 1930. First and present church building dedicated 1930; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Elder Moore, 1930-40. Present clergyman, Elder Johnson, Culvert and Alfred Sts., Inkster.

Session minutes (including financial records), 1930--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1930--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1930--, 7 vols. Records in custody of pastor.

133. CHURCH OF GOD (defunct), 1931-33, 1701 Harrison St., Flint, Genesee County.

Organized 1931. Lapsed 1933 for reasons undetermined. Services first held in Church of God, Grant St. First and only church building dedicated 1931; frame structure. First and only clergyman, Rev. J.T. Smith, 1931-33, 3309 Industrial St., Flint.

Session minutes (including register of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths; financial and Sunday School records), 1931-33, 1 vol. Records in custody of Rev. J.T. Smith.

134. CHURCH OF GOD (defunct), 1932-37, Main St., Lake City, Missaukee County.

Organized 1932. Iapsed 1937 for reasons undetermined. Services first held in town hall and school building. First and only church building dedicated 1932; cement block structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Grace Barker, 1933-36. Last clergyman, Rev. L.B. Morford, 1936-37.

No records found.

135. CHURCH OF GOD, 1932--, Mio, Oscoda County.

Organized 1932. Services first held in Kittel School. First and present church building dedicated 1934; frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Marvin L. Coffman, 1932. Present clergyman, Rev. Jacob J. Miller, Mio.

Session minutes, 1932--, 1 vol. in custody of pastor. No other records found.

136. PENNELL WOOD CHURCH OF GOD (Abrahamic Faith), 1934--, 28 Allen Rd. W., Grand Rapids, Kent County.

Organized 1934. Services first held in rented building, 3055 Division St., later in Godwin Heights school building. First and present church building erected 1935, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Fred L. Austin, 1935-36. Present clergyman, Rev. R.M. Abbott, 28 Allen Rd. W., Grand Rapids.



Session minutes, 1934--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1934--, card file. Records in custody of Mrs. L.F. Slocum, 635 Alexander St., S.E. Financial records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Harold Simpson, 15 Locke St., S.E. Granville. Sunday School records, 1935--, 6 vols., in custody of secretary, Mrs. Will Hanson, Caledonia.

137. CHURCH OF GOD (Colored), 1935--, 1502 Frawell St., Saginaw, Saginaw County.

Organized 1935. First and present church building erected 1935, frame structure. First settled clergyman, Rev. Willa F. Davis, 1935-39.

Present clergyman, J.T. Smith, 3309 Industrial Ave., Flint, Genesee County.

Session minutes, 1935--, 1 vol. Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths; also financial records), 1935--, 1 vol. Sunday School records, 1936--, 1 vol. Records in custody of church clerk, Rev. Marie Perttle, 1352 Myrtle St.

138. CHURCH OF GOD (Mission), 1937--, R.R. 1, Arthur Twp., Clare, Clare County.

Established 1937; organized 1940. Services held in Arthur town hall. First and present clergyman, Rev. Charles Kleinhart, 1937--, R.R. 5, Clare; also pastor of Church of God, Colonville Corners; and Church of God, Elm Grove (see entries 121, 129).

Register (baptisms, marriages, members, and deaths), 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of pastor. Financial records, 1940--, 1 vol., in archives in Arthur Town Hall. Sunday School records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mary Sanders, R.R. 5, Clare.

139. CHURCH OF GOD (defunct), 1937-38, Lake, Clare County.

Organized 1937. Lapsed 1938 for reasons undetermined. Services were held in Grange Hall. First settled clergyman, Rev. William Teeter, 1937-38. Last clergyman, Rev. Charles Kleinhart, 1938, R.R. 5, Clare.

Session minutes (including register of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, and deaths, also financial records), 1938, 1 vol. Records in custody of Rev. Charles Kleinhart, R.R. 5, Clare.



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